## OFFI WEATHER SOULDING

## **Dawn Launch Weather Forecast**

**Vehicle:** Delta II-H

**Issued:** 25 Sep 07 8 a.m. EDT

**Valid:** 27 Sep 07 7:20 – 7:49 a.m. EDT

**Synoptic Discussion:** Surface high pressure over the western Atlantic will result in onshore flow throughout the week. In such a regime, morning coastal showers occur over the gulf stream and migrate toward the coast. Afternoon thunderstorms are expected as the sea breeze sets up and pushes inland. A weak tropical wave along the southern periphery of the surface high may enhance shower activity along the coastal waters. There are some discrepancies between the numerous forecast models as to the strength and timing of this wave, but the general consensus is to affect the Florida coast Wednesday into Thursday. **During the countdown and launch window the main concern will be for the coastal showers near the launch site and flight path.** 

CloudsCoverageBases (feet)Tops (feet)CumulusScattered3,00020,000

Weather: Showers in the vicinity

Visibility: 7 Miles Solar Activity: Low

**Wind:** 140° @ 10 G 15 KT **Pressure:** 30.03 INS

Temperature: 74-76°F RH: 80%

Launch day overall probability of violating weather constraints: 40%

Primary concern(s): Cumulus Cloud Rule, Precipitation

24-hour delay overall probability of violating weather constraints 30%

**Primary concern(s):** Cumulus Cloud Rule, Precipitation

48-hour delay overall probability of violating weather constraints N/A

Primary concern(s):

**Sunrise:** 27 / 0713 EDT 28 / 0714 EDT **Sunset:** 27 / 1913 EDT 28 / 1912 EDT

Moonrise: 27 / 1944 EDT Moonset: 28 / 0911 EDT Illumination: 28 / 98%

Next forecast will be issued: 26 Sep 07